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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FINALITY AND

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 41.33 IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 14, 2009

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated May 14, 2009, which sets a three month shortened statutory period for response until August 14, 2009.

Applicants have filed a Notice of Appeal on November 16, 2009 (November 14, 2009 being a Saturday) so that the time for filing an Appeal Brief extends until January 19, 2010 (January 16, 2010 being a Saturday and January 18, 2010 being federal holiday).

If for any reason any extension of time fees and/or claim fees are necessary for maintaining the pendency of the application, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee, including any necessary extension of time and/or claim fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested in view of the remarks presented herein.